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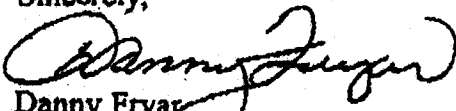
Dear Ms. Hesse:

I am writing in support of the proposed settlement recently negotiated between the Department of Justice and Microsoft. There is no reason for this case to continue languishing in the Federal Court system. No evidence has been presented to show that Microsoft's products or marketing practices have ever harmed a single consumer. To the contrary, productivity increases traced to Windows alone have been enough to spur billions in economic growth over the last decade.

For several years, the federal government has been snooping around Microsoft, at incredible expense to the taxpayer—\$35 million—without finding any evidence of consumer harm. Since there is no economic or legal reason for the government to destroy this American success story, it is time to settle the case.

Let's put an end to this frivolous waste of money and let America continue to lead the world in technological innovation.

Sincerely,



Danny Fryar  
City Administrator  
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